

QUESTION NO. 1 - Are these contracts available to large business?

ANSWER NO. 1 – The Contracting Officer’s determination of whether each Region’s ESAT procurement will be issued as full and open or set aside for small business will be based upon the results of a sources sought for each Region. The sources sought will be published in early September.

QUESTION NO. 2 - Does award preclude large business from using its own disposal facilities if waste disposal ever occurs as a result of one of these contracts?

ANSWER NO. 2 – Waste generated by the ESAT contractor either in the Region laboratory or at a Superfund site will be disposed by the Region’s waste disposal contractor. The ESAT contractor must place its generated waste in proper containers with proper labels.

QUESTION NO. 3 - Does this contract involve using labs at the regional EPA labs. or independent labs.?

ANSWER NO. 3 – The ESAT contractor personnel will work in the same EPA regional laboratories, including mobile labs, as EPA personnel.

QUESTION NO. 4 - How do we obtain a list of past ESAT contractors or current contractors?

ANSWER NO. 4 – The following table identifies the current ESAT contractors.

**Environmental Services Assistance Teams (ESAT) Contract Information**

REG	CONTRACT	CONTRACTOR NAME	MAXIMUM VALUE	DATE OF AWARD
1	68-W-01-008	Lockheed Martin	\$13,632,307	12/22/00
2	68-W-01-016	Lockheed Martin	\$10,767,817	12/21/00
3	68-W-01-018	Lockheed Martin	\$8,148,270	12/22/00
4	68-W-01-009	Integrated Laboratory Systems	\$17,138,274	12/22/00
5	68-W-01-014	IIT Research Institute	\$9,698,872	01/ /01
6	68-W-01-030	Lockheed Martin	\$8,057,824	03/16/01
7	68-W-01-011	ManTech	\$9,548,441	12/22/00
8	68-W-01-029	Integrated Laboratory Systems	\$7,638,998	03/22/01
9	68-W-01-028	ICF	\$14,489,694	03/26/01
10	68-W-01-027	Techlaw, Inc.	\$8,933,093	03/22/01

QUESTION NO. 5 - How can a validation company team with a laboratory contractor to provide data validation services?

ANSWER NO. 5 – A contractor cannot validate data if it or one of its team subcontractors generated the data. Such a situation is considered a fundamental conflict of interest. Therefore, data generated by the ESAT contractor could not be validated by itself or a team subcontractor.